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1. A unit of about 400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia was entrained at the Neubukow railroad station on 22 August 1951. It was equipped with 12 artillery pieces of about 50-mm.

2. An AA unit with an undetermined number of troops, occupying 15 boxcars, was entrained in Neubukow on 22 August. The unit was equipped with 4 AA guns, 2 field kitchens and an undetermined number of motor vehicles

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3. A unit with 29 trucks and 12 artillery pieces from the Panzer Kaserne in Neuruppin was entrained on 23 August. The train consisted of 7 boxcars with troops, 4 boxcars with ammunition and 33 flatcars, carrying the trucks and guns. It was seen departing toward Bechlin-Neustadt.

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4. A troop train, which was observed on a sidetrack of the Grosskreuz-Goetz line, headed toward Brandenburg, on 25 August, carried an undetermined number of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. 15 x 122-mm artillery pieces,

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B-3 5. Troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, and artillery pieces, rocket launchers and trucks were loaded on 50 railroad cars at the Dallgow-Doberitz railroad station on 3 September. The

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Comments.

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- (1) the train in paragraph 1 is believed to have carried batteries of AAA components of the 9th Tank Div, the 20th Gds Mecz Div, and the 14th Gds Mecz Div; while the train in paragraph 2 probably carried AAA batteries of the 20th Gds Mecz Div, the 9th Tank Div and the 7th Gds Tank Div. It is possible that the individual batteries were uncoupled at railroad junctions and proceeded to their respective designations.

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- (2) This train was also reported by a source from Neuruppin. It may have gone to Altengrabow because vehicles of the 12th Gds Tank Div were observed there at the end of August 1951. See

25X1A The train may have been one of the series of trains on which components of the 12th Gds Tank Div rotated to the Justerlog troop training grounds for artillery practice cycles.

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- 25X1D (3) the west-bound train carried components of the 1st Mecz Div. It may have been a train which was dispatched from Altengrabow to Doberitz on 24 August 1951.

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- 25X1D (4) components of the 1st Mecz Div were loaded.

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